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In re Application of
NANCY WILLIAMSON, ET AL.
Application No.: 10/009,787
PCT No.: PCT/US00/15178
Int. Filing Date: 01 June 2000
Priority Date: 01 June 1999
For: WELDABLE MOUNT FOR FUEL
SYSTEMS COMPONENT

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: NOTIFICATION OF
: MISSING REQUIREMENTS
: UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371
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This application is before the PCT Legal Office for consideration of issues arising under 35 U.S.C. 371.

BACKGROUND

On 01 June 2000, applicants filed international application PCT/US00/15178, which claimed priority to an earlier U.S. application filed on 01 June 1999. A Chapter II Demand for international preliminary examination, in which the United States of America was elected, was timely filed on 29 December 2000. Accordingly, the thirty month time period for paying the basic national fee in the U.S. expired at midnight on 01 December 2001.

On 12 November 2001, applicants filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the U.S. which was accompanied by, inter alia, the requisite basic national fee as required pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1) and a declaration.

DISCUSSION

The international application indicated that the applicant inventors for the United States were Nancy AMBURGEY, Thomas BLEASE, Jeffrey DEVALL and Dwight SMITH. The declaration submitted was signed by the applicant inventors with an indication that Nancy AMBURGEY had changed her name to Nancy WILLIAMSON.

The MPEP at section 605.04(c) requires that in instances where an inventor has changed his or her name after the application has been filed to submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182. The petition must include the appropriate petition fee and an affidavit signed with both names setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order. If the name change was due to marriage, then a certified copy of the marriage certificate


must accompany the petition. If the certificate is not in the English language, an English translation thereof is also required.

CONCLUSION


Applicant Nancy AMBURGEY must file a petition and petition fee under 37 CFR 1.182 within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Failure to timely respond will result in the abandonment of this application.

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this matter to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington, DC 20231 and address the contents of the letter to the attention of the PCT Legal Office.



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